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Exeter Fire District

(March 10, 2011)

Call to Order

Chairman Peter Lacouture called the March meeting of the Exeter Fire District to order at 7:10pm. Present were commissioners Lacouture, Aker, Slater and Nievera. Ms. Caito, district treasurer, was also present. There were 3 members of the public in attendance.

Public Comment

There was no comment from the public.

Treasurer's Report

Ms. Caito reported the beginning balance in the district accounts to be \$428,633.96 as of December 8, 2010. Activity within the accounts brings the balance to \$300,872.20 as of February 8, 2011. Mr. Nievera has compared the reports of the treasurer with the bank statements and is satisfied with their accuracy. Mr. Nievera moved (Mr. Aker second) accepting the report of the treasurer. The motion carried unanimously. Ms. Caito inquired as to the possibility of an early distribution to the organizations to keep her bank balance under the insured maximum allowed by law. The commissioners agreed that she should make her Q3 payment 3 weeks early.

Previous Month's Minutes

Mr. Slater moved (Mr. Lacouture second) acceptance of the minutes of the February 10th meeting. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Slater then moved (Mr. Nievera second) acceptance of the minutes of the February 24th budget hearing. That motion also carried unanimously. The clerk will re-circulate these minutes and file them with the Secretary of State's office at his earliest convenience.

Communications

All operational mail has been given to the treasurer for her action. Mr. Nievera reported the receipt of a letter of interest from Mr. Cerullo for the position of moderator at our annual meeting.

Old Business

Mr. Nievera read the collector's report and gave the status of delinquent properties. He also gave a brief overview of the tax sale to be held on June 8th of this year.

After a brief discussion Mr. Nievera moved (Mr. Aker second) the establishment of a tax lien on a property that was not taken over at last year's tax sale. The motion passed unanimously. Mr. Nievera will instruct the collector to initiate the process at her earliest convenience.

Mr. Lacouture gave a brief overview of the Annual Meeting. Unlike

past years, there will be no slide show. Rather, he will give an explanation of the administrative budget. Representatives of the remaining four organizations will then give a short presentation of their respective budget requests. All representatives should be prepared to answer questions/concerns from the members present.

Mr. Nievera moved (Mr. Aker second) appointing Mr. Cerullo as moderator for the Annual Meeting. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Nievera will notify Mr. Cerullo at his earliest opportunity.

Ms. Caito was instructed to bring the balance of the reserve fund up to \$25,000.

Mr. Aker moved (Mr. Nievera second) presenting the budget requests from the organizations, as well as the budget resolutions, to the members at the Annual Meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

New Business

Chief Chamberlain reported that the grant paperwork for the exhaust system has been submitted and he is waiting for payment.

Mr. Lacouture reported that the annual dinner for station #2 will be held on April 11th.

Ms. Caito reported that the Rescue Corps had received a \$1,000 legislative grant.

Next Meeting

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Exeter Fire District

Board of Commissioners will be the Annual Meeting to be held on April 13, 2011. The meeting will be held in the auditorium of the Exeter-West Greenwich Regional Jr/Sr High School and will begin at 7:00pm.

Adjournment

Mr. Aker moved (Mr. Nievera second) adjournment at 8:05 pm. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

**Bill Nievera, Clerk
Exeter Fire District**